REMARKS

An Abstract is attached hereto.

The specification has been amended to refer to the parent application.

Newly presented claims 18-28 are directed to applicant's methods and apparatus for causing interaction and simultaneous removal of nitrogen oxides and carbonaceous products from gases, particularly exhaust gases from internal combustion engines.

Applicant submits that the methods and apparatus are directed to the same invention and restriction would not be proper. Accordingly, action on the merits of all claims is believed to be in order and is courteously solicited. In the event that the Examiner believes otherwise, the courtesy of a telephone call would be appreciated.

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